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1. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF MFA NEWS
RELEASE, DATED NOVEMBER 11, CONCERNING ANGOLAN INDEPENDENCE:

2. "THE ACCESSION OF AGOLA TO INDEPENDENCE IS A NEW AND
IMPORTANT STEP IN THE DECOLONIZATION OF AFRICA. ITALY IS HAPPY
TO BE ABLE TO SALUTE AND TO RECOGNIZE THAT INDEPENDENCE
AND TO EXTEND ITS WISHES FOR THE PEACE AND PROSPERITY OF
THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE.

3. "THIS SATISFACTION IS UNFORTUNATELY MITIGATED BY THE
GROWING CONFLICT AMONG THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, WHICH IS
CAUSING GRAVE SUFFERING AMONG THE ANGOLANS. THE HOPE OF
ITALIAN OFFICIAL CIRCLES IS THAT THERE WILL BE QUICKLY
CREATED IN ANGOLA CONDITIONS OF PEACE, STABILITY, AND NATIONAL
UNITY, WHICH WOULD PERMIT THE INDEPENDENT ANGOLAN PEOPLE TO
TAKE THE POSITION AWAITING THEM IN THE INTERNATIONAL
COMMUNITY."BEAUDRY

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